

The Grayson County, Virginia Board of Supervisors

Resolution Concerning Large-scale Commercial Pesticide Application in Grayson County, Virginia

Whereas: it is the responsibility of the Board of Supervisors to carry out the will of the public insofar as the law allows, and

Whereas: the citizens of Grayson County are extremely concerned about the adverse health effects of large-scale commercial pesticide application,

Be it resolved that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Supports investment into the study of the adverse effects of commercial pesticide application on public health;
2. Supports investment into the expansion of water quality testing in the county to include pesticide panels;
2. Urges that state and federal agencies increase the budget for enforcement of current regulations, including:
 - adding an additional pesticide inspector for Southwest Virginia, and
 - escalating fines for serial infractions and instituting a publicly available and searchable database of infractions;
3. Urges that the Commonwealth institute a ban on aerial spraying in mountainous terrain;
4. Urges that the Commonwealth institute an enforceable rule regarding buffer zones between commercial farming operations and adjoining properties;
5. Urges that the Commonwealth require advanced notice of spraying as well as transparency as to what is being sprayed;
6. Urges that the Commonwealth require remediation of the land after large-scale commercial use.

Passed and approved in this ____ day of _____, 2022

By:_____

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By:_____

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By:_____

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